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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.121

Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the present application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. A marked-up version of the claims is attached in
APPENDIX A: "CLAIMS MARKED-UP TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

6.(Amended) A process as claimed in claim 1 wherein the impregnating material
substantially fills the pores of the support.

9.(Amended) A process as claimed in claim 7 wherein the molecular sieve seeds are
present as a discrete layer.

10.(Amended) A process as claimed in claim 1 wherein the crystalline molecular
sieve layer is an MFI type molecular sieve.

13.(Amended) A process as claimed in claim 1 wherein the porosity of the support is
30% by volume or greater.